

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Reissue Application of )  
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U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673 to ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
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Mattias BERGLUND et al. ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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Application No.: Unassigned )  
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Filed: Herewith )  
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For: TWO-PIECE ROTARY )  
METAL-CUTTING TOOL AND )  
METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING )  
THE PIECES )

**DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF REISSUE APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We, Mattias BERGLUND, Fredrick LUNDBERG, and Ingela ÅRBRINK (formerly Ingela SVENSSON), hereby declare as follows:

- (1) We are citizens of Sweden, having the following residence and post office address: Sofiedalsvägen 11 B 824 34 Hudiksvall, Sweden; Ringvägen 17 703 42, Örebro Sweden; and Hejdegatan 54 582 43, Linköping, Sweden; respectively.
- (2) We believe that we are the original, first inventors of the invention described and claimed in the above-identified Reissue Application.
- (3) We have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification and the claims of the Reissue Application and its accompanying Preliminary Amendment.
- (4) We hereby claim the benefit of foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 with respect to Swedish Patent Application No. 9603325, filed on September 13, 1996.

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(5) We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that we are aware of which is material to the examination of this Reissue Application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

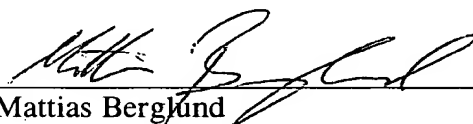
(6) We believe U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673 to be wholly or partially inoperative or invalid by virtue of claiming more or less than the patentee had the right to claim in the patent.

(7) More specifically, that an error arose due to the fact that, subsequent to the issuance of U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673, Applicants were made aware of German patent publication No. 94340 and other prior art, resulting in at least one of the claims in U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673 being broader than Applicants had the right to claim.

(8) All errors being corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the undersigned.

(9) The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein are of his own knowledge and are true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

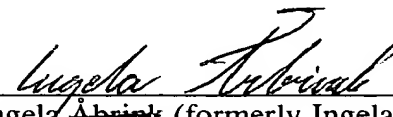
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**SUBMISSION OF CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b),**  
**OFFER TO SURRENDER, ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE, AND**  
**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Seco Tools AB, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Sweden and having a place of business at S-737 82 Fagersta, Sweden is owner, by assignment, of the entire title to United States Letters Patent No. 5,971,673 granted on October 26, 1999.

Seco Tools AB hereby assents to the application for reissue of said Letters Patent filed herewith.

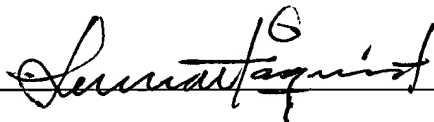
Seco Tools AB hereby offers to surrender United States Letters Patent 5,971,673.

A statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) accompanies this submission.

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Seco Tools AB hereby appoints Ronald L. Grudziecki, Reg. No. 24,970, Scott W. Cummings, Reg. No. 41,567 and the firm of Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, all correspondence should be addressed to Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis, P.O. Box 1404, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1404.

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: Seco Tools AB

Application No./Patent No.: 5,971,673

Filed/Issue Date: October 26, 1999

Entitled: TWO-PIECE ROTARY METAL-CUTTING TOOL AND METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING THE PIECES

Seco Tools AB

(Name of Assignee)

a Corporation

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

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in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

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**[NOTE:** A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the PTO. See MPEP 302-302.8]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

Date: April 25, 2001



Signature

Lennart Tåquist

General Patent Counsel

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